

CONTEST RULES

2019 Theme: *Celebrate Trees in Our Community*

Submission deadline: **March 29, 2019**

Theme Design Guidelines

Students will create a poster that reflects their understanding of the important role trees play in our community and how trees can be celebrated.

Submission/Eligibility Requirements

- Must be an original artwork created by a 5th Grade student (one entry per student)
- Entries must be done on 12" x 18" paper
- The poster must relate to the contest theme. "Celebrate Trees in Our Community" must be on the poster; all words must be legible and spelled correctly
- Entries may be done in marker, crayon, paint pens, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, and tempera paint
- Entries must be done on paper, which allows for duplication, display, and framing
- Student's name, grade, school, teacher's name and contact phone number must be printed on the back of the poster in pencil
- Student's first and last name must be written in the lower right-hand corner on the front of the poster
- Care should be taken to ensure the poster does not get damaged
- The Office of the City Forester will collect all entries and select each school's winning poster

Not Accepted

- Collages (Please do not glue anything on your poster)
- Computer or photo-generated art and printing
- Matted, mounted, laminated, framed, or folded entries
- Names of commercial products, companies or organizations should not be displayed

CLASS ACTIVITIES

Need some tree and forest activities to help your students create winning posters? Project Learning Tree (PLT) delivers award-winning environmental education curriculum resources and support that can be integrated into lesson plans for all grades and subject areas. PLT teaches students “how to think, not what to think,” about complex environmental issues, and helps them acquire the skills they need to make sound choices about the environment. Grants are available for student projects. While PLT materials are available only at professional development workshops (including our online workshops), there are a few activities available at:

<https://www.plt.org/environmental-education-activity-guide>

Visit www.coloradopl.org for workshops and other opportunities for teachers in Colorado.

PARTNERS

The Colorado Tree Coalition

The Colorado Tree Coalition (CTC) is a volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization committed to leading statewide efforts in preserving, renewing, and enhancing community forests in Colorado. Working closely with partners such as the U.S. Forest Service, Colorado State Forest Service, Xcel Energy, and several corporate and private sponsors, the CTC provides programs and services to communities across Colorado. Programs administered by CTC include the Champion Tree, Tree Risk Assessment and Fifth Grade Arbor Day Poster Contest programs. Additionally, the Trees Across Colorado program provides low cost trees to Colorado communities, and the ReForest Colorado program helps communities recover from natural disasters. CTC is a membership driven organization, and it encourages communities across Colorado to become a member to enhance their chances of obtaining tree planting and maintenance grants.

Be A Smart Ash Campaign

Be A Smart Ash is a public education campaign brought to you by your friendly City Forester, an office within Denver Parks and Recreation. The Be A Smart Ash campaign aims to school up residents in the City and County of Denver on the EAB's attempt to run amok. The goal? To encourage residents to be smart about their ashes, take action, identify ash trees and (when necessary) treat or replace them. For more information on the Emerald Ash Borer and to learn how to Be A Smart Ash, visit BeASmartAsh.org or follow us on Twitter @BeASmartAsh.

ArborScape Tree Service

ArborScape, Denver's top-quality tree service, is a team of professionals providing value-added tree services to all of our customers. ArborScape is dedicated to providing a beautiful and sustainable landscape for our Denver and High-Country clients. By promoting the art and

science of horticulture and using the most environmentally friendly products and services available, we help conserve and sustain your neighborhood. For more information, visit www.arborscapeservices.com.

STATEWIDE PRIZE CATEGORIES

Winning Student

- Professionally framed poster
- Recognition at the Colorado State Capitol in Denver, along with the student's teacher, family members, local legislators and dignitaries
- Poster will be displayed at the Capitol during month of April
- Tour of the Capitol, followed by a fun lunch within walking distance of the Capitol

Winning Teacher

- Recognition at the Colorado State Capitol in Denver, along with the student and his/her family members, local legislators and dignitaries
- Tour of the Capitol, followed by a fun lunch within walking distance of the Capitol